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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

In re:	
YUMA ENERGY, INC., et al., ¹	§ § Case No. 20-41455-11
Debtors.	§ (Jointly Administered)
	§ Objections Due: November 16, 2020

NOTICE OF FILING OF MONTHLY COMPENSATION AND STAFFING REPORT OF ANKURA CONSULTING GROUP, LLC FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2020

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, on April 23, 2020, the above-captioned debtors and debtors-in-possession filed the *Debtors' Application for Authority to Retain and Employ Ankura Consulting Group, LLC as Chief Restructuring Officer and Financial Advisors, Nunc Pro Tunc to the Petition Date* [Docket No. 59].

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, on June 22, 2020, the Court entered its *Order Granting Debtors' Application for Authority to Retain and Employ Ankura Consulting Group*,

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, include: Yuma Energy, Inc. (7340); Yuma Exploration & Production Company, Inc. (7849); Davis Petroleum Corp. (9517); and The Yuma Companies, Inc. (8652).

LLC to Provide a Chief Restructuring Officer and Additional Personnel for the Debtors [Docket No. 176] (the "Retention Order").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, in accordance with the Retention Order, Ankura Consulting Group, LLC ("<u>Ankura</u>") hereby provides its staffing and compensation report (the "<u>Staffing Report</u>") for the period October 1, 2020 through October 31, 2020 (the "<u>Staffing Report Period</u>").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, in accordance with the Retention Order, objections, if any, to the Staffing Report must be filed within 20 days of the Staffing Report having been served.

Dated: October 27, 2020. HAYWARD & ASSOCIATES PLLC

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MONTHLY COMPENSATION AND STAFFING REPORT OF ANKURA CONSULTING GROUP, LLC FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2020

Name of applicant: Ankura Consulting Group, LLC Authorized to provide **Debtors** professional services to: Date of retention: June 8, 2020, nunc pro tunc to April 16, 2020 Period for which compensation and reimbursement is sought: October 1, 2020 through October 31, 2020 Amount of compensation sought as actual, \$12,254.00 reasonable and necessary: Amount of expense reimbursement sought as \$0.00 actual, reasonable and necessary:

This is a(n): X monthly interim final application.

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, include: Yuma Energy, Inc. (7340); Yuma Exploration & Production Company, Inc. (7849); Davis Petroleum Corp. (9517); and The Yuma Companies, Inc. (8652).

SUMMARY OF STAFFING COMPENSATION

	10/01/2020 - 10/31/2020			
Engagement Personnel	\$	2,993.00		
Less: 50% Travel Fees	\$	-		
Subtotal	\$	2,993.00		
CRO Fees	\$	13,230.00		
Less: 30% CRO Discount	\$	(3,969.00)		
Total CRO Hourly Time and Fees Less Discount	\$	9,261.00		
Expenses	\$	-		
Total Invoice	\$	12,254.00		

SUMMARY OF HOURS BY PROFESSIONAL¹

					10/01/2020	- 10/3	1/2020
PROFESSIONAL	TITLE	FUNCTION	RATE		HOURS	FEES	
Pinsonnault, Scott	Senior Managing Director	Engagement Personnel	\$	1,100.00	-		-
Edelman, Harrison	Director	Engagement Personnel	\$	610.00	-	\$	-
Brilliant, Jason	Senior Associate	Engagement Personnel	\$	495.00	-		-
Pacheco, Laura	Associate	Engagement Personnel	\$	410.00	7.3		2,993.00
Lin, Ryan	Analyst	Engagement Personnel	\$	150.00	-		-
Subtotal - Engagement Personnel					7.3	\$	2,993.00
Schnur, Anthony	Senior Managing Director	Chief Restructuring Officer	\$	1,050.00	12.6	\$	13,230.00
Less: 30% CRO Discount							(3,969.00)
Subtotal - CRO Fee					12.6	\$	9,261.00
Total Invoice Amount					19.9	\$	12,254.00

Ankura charged Debtors for only 50% of non-working travel time in compliance with Local Rule 2016-2(d)(viii). Such reductions are reflected in the figures in this column.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL FEES BY TASK CODE

		10/01/2020 - 10/31/2020			
TASK CODE	TASK CATEGORY	HOURS		FEES	
1	Asset Analysis and Recovery	_		-	
2	Budgeting (Case)	1.0		1,050.0	
3	Business Operations	3.9		4,095.0	
4	Cash and Liquidity Analysis	1.8		1,890.0	
5	Trade Vendor Matters	-		-	
6	Asset Disposition	-		-	
7	Creditor Recovery and Related Matters	-		-	
8	Employee Benefits and Pensions	-		-	
9	Tax	-		-	
10	Prepare For and Attend Court Hearings	2.5		2,625.0	
11	Avoidance Action Analysis	-		-	
12	Reporting	-		-	
13	Analysis for First Day and Other Pleadings	-		-	
14	Claims Administration and Objections	-		-	
15	Analyze Intercompany Activity/Claims	-		-	
16	Assumption and Rejection of Leases and Contracts	-		-	
17	Financing and Cash Collateral	-		-	
18	Relief from Stay and Adequate Protection	-		-	
19	Corporate Governance and Board Matters	1.1		1,155.0	
20	Plan and Disclosure Statement	-		-	
21	Non-working Travel	-		-	
22	Case Administration	-		-	
23	General Meetings with Client and Advisors	2.3		2,415.0	
24	General Meetings with Other Parties	-		-	
25	Employment and Fee Applications	7.3		2,993.0	
26	Communications	-		-	
27	Wind Down Monitoring	-		-	
28	Employment and Fee Application Objections	-		-	
29	Litigation: Contested Matters and Advisory Proceedings	-		-	
30	Real Estate	-		-	
31	Meetings and Communications with Creditors	-		-	
32	Valuation	-		-	
	Hourly Professional Time and Fees	19.9	\$	16,223.00	
	Less: 30% CRO Discount		\$	(3,969.00)	
	Total Professional Fees Less Discount		\$	12,254.00	
	Avera	ge Billing Rate		615.78	

EXPENSE SUMMARY BY EXPENSE CATEGORY¹

	10/01/2020 - 10/31/2020			
EXPENSE CATEGORY	AM	IOUNT		
Airfare/Railway	\$	-		
Taxi/Limo	\$	-		
Comms - Phone, WIFI, Internet	\$	-		
Meals	\$	-		
Parking/Tolls	\$	-		
Hotel	\$	-		
Rental Car	\$	-		
Office Supplies - General	\$	-		
Office Supplies - Software	\$	-		
Total Expenses	\$	-		

Pursuant to §§ 105(a) and 363(b) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Ankura Consulting Group, LLC ("Ankura"), restructuring advisor to Yuma Energy, Inc.; Yuma Exploration & Production Company, Inc; Davis Petroleum Corp., and The Yuma Companies, Inc. (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby files its *Monthly Compensation and Staffing Report* (the "Staffing Report") for the Period from October 1, 2020 through October 31, 2020 (the "Staffing Report Period").

- 1. By this Staffing Report, and pursuant to the *Order Granting Debtors' Application* for Authority to Retain and Employ Ankura Consulting Group, LLC to Provide a Chief Restructuring Officer and Additional Personnel for the Debtors [Docket No. 176] (the "Retention Order"), Ankura seeks: (i) \$12,254.00 in compensation for services provided by Anthony Schnur as CRO to the Debtors during the Staffing Report Period and other compensation for Ankura's professional services rendered to the Debtor during the Staffing Report Period (collectively, the "Fee"); and (ii) \$0.00 for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses.
- 2. Under the terms of Ankura's retention, the CRO Fee is payable as an administrative expense of the Debtors' estates pursuant to section 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.
 - 3. Pursuant to this Staffing Report, Ankura has attached the following exhibits:
 - i. Exhibit A Complete accounting of professional fees, including itemized time records in chronological order for which an award of compensation is sought. The itemized records include: i) the date each service was rendered; ii) the professional(s) who performed the service; iii) a description of the services rendered; and iv) the time spent performing the service in increments of tenths of an hour; and
 - ii. <u>Exhibit B</u> Complete accounting of actual and necessary expenses incurred by professionals in chronological order for which reimbursement is sought. The itemized records include: i) the date each expense was incurred; ii) the professional(s) who incurred the expense; iii) a description of the expense incurred; and iv) the amount of each expense for which reimbursement is sought.

- 4. Pursuant to the Retention Order, any party objecting to the payment of compensation and reimbursement of expenses shall, within 20 days of service of the Staffing Report, serve the following Application Recipients via email with a written notice setting forth the precise nature of the objection and the amount at issue:
 - a. The Debtor, c/o Yuma Energy, Inc., Attn: Anthony Schnur (tony.schnur@ankura.com);
 - b. Counsel to the Debtor, Hayward & Associates PLLC, Attn: Melissa S. Hayward (MHayward@HaywardFirm.com);
 - c. Office of the United States Trustee, Attn: Elizabeth Ziegler Young (Elizabeth.a.young@usdoj.gov);
 - d. Counsel to the Committee, if one is appointed in this case;
 - e. Counsel to the Debtor's financing lenders, Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP, Attn: Thomas Walper (thomas.walper@mto.com); and Red Mountain Capital Partners, Attn: Willem Mesdag (wmesdag@redmtncap.com);
- 5. In the event an objection is raised, no payment shall be made to Ankura on account of the portion of such staffing report to which an objection is raised until such objection is resolved.
- 6. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses incurred in the Staffing Report Period, some fees and expenses might not be included in this Staffing Report due to delays caused by accounting and processing during the Staffing Report Period. Ankura reserves the right to make further application to this Court for allowance of such fees and expenses not included herein. Subsequent Staffing Reports will be filed in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code and the Retention Order.

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Date: October 26, 2020. ANTHONY C. SCHNUR, as Authorized

Representative of Ankura Consulting Group, LLC

/s/ Anthony C. Schnur

By: Anthony C. Schnur

Senior Managing Director

EXHIBIT A

COMPLETE ACCOUNTING OF PROFESSIONAL FEES, INCLUDING ITEMIZED TIME RECORDS IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

Ankura charged Debtors for only 50% of non-working travel time in compliance with Local Rule 2016-2(d)(viii). Such reductions are reflected in the figures in this column.

Professional	Billing Rate	е	Amount	Hours	Date	Comments	Task Code
Schnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00			0.5	10/1/2020	Attend the 10/1/2020 Yuma Hearing.	10
Schnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	525.00	0.5	10/1/2020	Update the DIP budget for October and prepare 8ks for filing and distribution.	2
Schnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	315.00	0.3	10/2/2020	Participate on telephone call with M. Hayward (Hayward) regarding Schedule and Disclosure Statement.	23
Schnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	210.00	0.2	10/2/2020	Participate on telephone call with D. Hale (Yuma) regarding property Main Pass 2 (MP2) status.	3
Schnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	315.00	0.3	10/3/2020	Participate on an update telephone call with D. Hale (Yuma) regarding costs associated with the MP2 site.	3
Schnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	315.00	0.3	10/4/2020	Participate on telephone call with D. Hale (Yuma) regarding the status of the MP2 site.	3
Schnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	525.00	0.5	10/4/2020	Prepare and send an email with the outline of the MP2 site to J. Haber (UCC).	3
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	315.00	0.3	10/5/2020	Prepare and send an email to the Board of Directors that outlines the MP2 site information.	19
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	105.00	0.1	10/5/2020	Coordinate a date and time for a Board of Directors call.	19
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	105.00	0.1	10/5/2020	Participate on telephone call with J. Haber (UCC) regarding the status of the MP2 site.	3
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	630.00	0.6	10/6/2020	Participate on telephone call with J. Christmas (Yuma Board Member) regarding the MP2 site.	19
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	105.00	0.1	10/6/2020	Participate on telephone call with J. Haber (UCC) regarding the status of the MP2 site.	3
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	840.00	0.8	10/6/2020	Participate on Yuma Board of Directors call regarding the status of the MP2 site.	3
Schnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	315.00	0.3	10/6/2020	Participate on telephone call with J. Haber (UCC), R. Kuebel (Locke Lord), S. Mayer (Locke Lord) and M. Hayward (Hayward)	3
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	315.00	0.3	10/7/2020	regarding the status of the MP2 site. Participate on telephone call with D. Hale (Yuma) regarding the MP2 site spill.	3
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	210.00	0.2	10/7/2020	Participate on telephone call with D. Ellis (Yuma) regarding the direction on the MP2 site clean up.	3
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	525.00	0.5	10/8/2020	Attend the 10/8/2020 Yuma Hearing regarding the extension of confirmation and potential conversion to a Chapter 7.	10
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	840.00	0.8	10/8/2020	Participate on telephone call with the Yuma Board of Directors to discuss the MP2 site and update on the status of Yuma.	3
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	210.00	0.2	10/9/2020	Participate on telephone call with M. Hayward (Hayward) regarding a status update of the Yuma bankruptcy case.	23
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	105.00	0.1	10/9/2020	Participate on telephone call with J. Christmas (Yuma Board Member) regarding the status update on Tamboran.	19
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	1,365.00	1.3	10/10/2020	Update cash liquidity/position analysis through 10/9/2020.	4
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	525.00	0.5	10/13/2020	Participate on telephone call with M. Hayward (Hayward) regarding Yuma's current cash position.	4
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	525.00	0.5	10/13/2020	Participate on telephone call with E. Dyer (Tamboran) regarding DIP Funding and that no further DIP Funding is required.	2
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	1,050.00	1.0	10/14/2020	Attend meeting with D. Hale (Yuma), K. Thomen (Yuma) and K. Hubachova (Yuma) regarding final bill payments and status	23
ichnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	525.00	0.5	10/14/2020	of Yuma. Attend 10/14/2020 Yuma Hearing regarding the conversion of the case to a Chapter 7.	10
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	840.00	0.8	10/15/2020	Conduct a meeting for Yuma Staff (D. Hale, K. Thomen and K. Hubachova) regarding case conversion to Chapter 7.	23
chnur, Anthony	\$ 1,050.00	\$	1,050.00	1.0	10/15/2020	Attend the 10/15/2020 hearing regarding converting the case to Chapter 7.	10
acheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	328.00	0.8	10/2/2020	Edit A. Schnur (ACG) time detail for September Staffing Report.	25
acheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	287.00	0.7	10/2/2020	Compare MTR and Time Detail for variance for September Staffing Report.	25
acheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	615.00	1.5	10/2/2020	Prepare September Staffing Report.	25
acheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	123.00	0.3	10/2/2020	Distribute September Staffing Report to A. Schnur (ACG) and M. Hayward (Hayward) for review, approval and filing.	25
acheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	205.00	0.5	10/5/2020	Revise and distribute September Staffing Report to reflect Z. Annable (Hayward) 10/2/2020 comments.	25
acheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	451.00	1.1	10/26/2020	Prepare A. Schnur (ACG) time detail for October Staffing Report.	25
acheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	205.00	0.5	10/26/2020	Prepare and compare MTR Report to Time Detail for A. Schnur (ACG).	25
acheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	82.00	0.2	10/26/2020	Prepare and compare MTR Report to Time Detail for L. Pacheco (ACG).	25
Pacheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	82.00	0.2	10/26/2020	Prepare October Staffing Report.	25
Pacheco, Laura	\$ 410.00	\$	615.00	1.5	10/27/2020	Prepare and edit October Staffing Report.	25
UBTOTAL		¢	15,608.00	19.90			

EXHIBIT B

COMPLETE ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES, INCLUDING ITEMIZED RECORDS BY PROFESSIONAL IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER N/A